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SUBJECT: ILO - DECISIONS OF 191ST GB RE ELECTION OF DIRECTOR
GENERAL

1. AT TWO PRIVATE SITTINGS DURING 191ST SESSION GB FOLLOWING
DECISIONS WERE TAKEN:

(A) ELECTION OF NEW DG TO BE HELD AT 192ND SESSION OF GB IN
FEBRUARY/MARCH 1974;

(B) DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL FRANCIS BLANCHARD WAS
REQUESTED BY GB TO ASSUME DIRECTION OF ILO WITH FULL AUTHORITY
UNTIL NEW DG IS ELECTED AND ASSUMES HIS FUNCTIONS.

2. IN DECIDING TO HOLD ELECTION AT FEBRUARY/MARCH SESSION, GB DID
NOT SPECIFY WHEN DURING SESSION IT SHOULD BE HELD; NOR DID IT
DECIDE ON LENGTH OF TERM FOR NEW DG. IT DID REJECT ATTEMPT TO
ESTABLISH TIME LIMIT FOR NOMINATIONS. PRESUMABLY PRECISE DAY
OF ELECTION WILL BE DECIDED BY OFFICERS OF GB WHEN THEY ARRANGE
AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH SESSION. SEVERAL GB REPS INCLUDING
USDEL HAVE INDICATED INTEREST IN HAVING AGEND ITEM "ELECTION
OF NEW DG" SCHEDULED AS FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS.

3. LENGTH OF TERM NOW STIPULATED IN STAFF REGULATIONS IS TEN
YEARS. ALTHOUGH NUMBER OF GB REPS, INCLUDING USDEL, FAVOR FIVE
YEAR TERM NO ACTION TAKEN THIS GB TO CHANGE STAFF REGULATIONS.
USDEL SUGGESTED CONSIDERATION THIS ISSUE AND WAS SUPPORTED BY
AUSTRALIA, BUT DECISION WAS MADE POSTPONE ISSUE UNTIL FEBRUARY/
MARCH SESSION.

4. SENIOR DDG ADDAS AMMAR REPORTED TO OFFICERS OF GB THAT HE DID
NOT FEEL THAT HE COULD CONTINUE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR
DIRECTING ILO. GB EXPRESSED "PROFOUND GRATITUDE FOR NOTEWORTHY
MANNER" IN WHICH HE HAD CARRIED OUT FUNCTION SINCE JENKS' DEATH
AND TURNED TO NEXT SENIOR OFFICIAL FRANCIS BLANCHARD, HE IS,
OF COURSE, AN ANNOUNCED CANDIDATE FOR THE POST OF DG.

5. EXCPET FOR BLANCHARD (FRANCE) AND ALBERT TEVOEDJRE, ASST DG
(DAHOMY) THERE ARE NO OTHER ANNOUNCED CANDIDATES FOR DG. NAMES
OF VELDKAMP (NETHERLANDS) AND MAINWARING (CANADA), BOTH OF WHOM
ATTENDED GB SESSION, WERE MENTIONED AND VELDKAMP APPROACHED
SEVERAL GB REPS INCLUDING USDEL TO SOUND OUT CHANCES FOR SUPPORT.
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CALDERA (VENEZUELA) ALSO CASUALLY MENTIONED, BUT HE SEEMS TO BE
OUT OF FAVOR WITH GB WORKERS GROUP. KOKU (NIGERIA) CONTINUED TO
BE MENTIONED ALTHOUGH AFRICAN GB MEMBERS REPEATEDLY EMPHASIZED
SOLIDARITY OF AFRICAN BEHIND OAU DECISION TO SUPPORT TEVOEDJRE.
NO OTHER NAMES HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY MENTIONED.

6. BLANCHARD STANDS TO GAIN VIS-A-VIS TEVOEDJRE BY GB DECISION TO
VEST INTERIM AUTHORITY IN NEXT OFFICIAL IN LINE AFTER AMMAR. UNLESS

CREDIBLE AND ACCEPTABLE OUTSIDE CANDIDATE EMERGES, WHO CAN
GALVANIZE SUPPORT BETWEEN NOW AND FEBRUARY-MARCH SESSION, BLANCHARD
APPEARS TO BE HARD MAN TO BEAT.
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